

~~TOP~~

~~SECRET~~

IDEA-0605

Copy 2 of 3

18 December 1961

MEMORANDUM FOR : Chief/DB/DPD

25X1X4

SUBJECT : ELINT Reconnaissance of [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

25X1X4

1. There are several questions which I wish your people would research prior to making a recommendation to Mr. Bissell on this subject. First, will the net result of the additional altitude be worthwhile in light of the money which will be required to place in the field the U-2 unit? I would estimate that this project would cost approximately one and one-half to two million dollars for the first year's operation. Secondly, who would fund for the development of System 10?

2. Considerable research was done on this specific proposal by the Special Projects Branch, i. e. cost, deployment time, etc.

3. Once the above questions have been answered, I would propose to Mr. Bissell that we approach State and receive their approval prior to expending any money to develop this system. At the present time I doubt State would give favorable approval on U-2's [REDACTED]

25X1A6a

25X1A9a

[REDACTED]
Colonel, USAF
Acting Chief, DPD-DD/P

TOP

~~SECRET~~